

# Iron County Register

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IRON COUNTY, MISSOURI.

An imperial ordinance has been issued by the mikado prohibiting Japanese subjects from visiting Korea without special permission.

On the 15th Senator John J. Ingalls announced himself a candidate for the United States senatorship from Kansas to succeed Senator William A. Peffer.

"CHARITY AND HEALTH" was the subject of a paper read before the Purty congress in Baltimore, Md., on the 16th, by Mrs. J. H. Kellogg, M. D., of Battle Creek, Mich.

The constitution of the Cuban revolutionary government, which was adopted at a meeting of the insurgent leaders in Puerto Principe, on September 23, has been promulgated.

MAYOR STROBE of New York will go to Atlanta, Ga., to visit the exposition November 25, or Manhattan day, which is evacuation day in New York. The old board will go with him as a guard of honor.

SECRETARY CARLISLE has accepted the invitation to attend the annual dinner of the New York chamber of commerce on November 18. He will deliver the principal address, speaking on "Sound Money."

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND and his family will go to Woodley, their country residence, after the return of the president and his party from the Atlanta exposition, and remain there until the cold weather sets in.

STANBURY, the Australian carman, has accepted the challenge of "Wag" Harding, the English sculler, to row a race for the championship of the world and \$500 a side, the contest to take place on the Thames.

It is stated that the grand jury which had been investigating the case of Miss Elizabeth Flagg, charged with killing a young colored boy in Washington last August, voted, on the 15th, to return an indictment against her.

FAILURES throughout the United States, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co. for the week ended on the 15th, were 263, against 253 for the preceding week last year; for Canada the failures were 46, against 43 last year.

The Chickasaw legislature has finally appointed a conference committee to meet the Dawes commission, which is regarded as a most important concession, while it does not necessarily imply that an agreement will be reached.

A DISPATCH from Bombay, India, on the 17th, said: The mutineers in Goa have refused to accept the amnesty offered them by the Portuguese officials, and have looted the treasuries in the city of Goa and wrecked several buildings.

INQUIRIES at the British foreign office, on the 15th, concerning the truth of a report published in the United States that a force of British troops was marching through Venezuela elicited the reply that the story was undoubtedly a canard.

THOUSANDS of barrels of apples and other fruit, besides immense quantities of potatoes, etc., are said to be rotting along the Ohio valley since the suspension of navigation on account of low water, there being no other means available of reaching a market.

GEN. JOHN GIBSON was elected commander-in-chief of the military order of the Loyal Legion at the eleventh annual convention of the national commandery-in-chief, held in Washington city, on the 16th, to succeed Gen. Lucius Fairchild, whose term of two years had expired.

COL. GEO. H. FISHER, who was consul-general to Japan by appointment of President Lincoln, and to Syria by President Grant's appointment, died suddenly in Washington, on the night of the 15th, of heart disease. He was born in Boston in 1824, and served in the Mexican and civil wars.

FRANKLIN L. POPE, an electrician, formerly connected with the Bell Telephone Co., and a scientific writer of some note, was killed by a shock from an electric-lighting apparatus in the cellar of his house in Great Barrington, Mass., on the 15th. Three thousand volts entered his body.

THE London Morning Post published a dispatch from Paris, on the 17th, saying that official returns showed that the number of Spanish troops lost in fighting or by disease since the opening of the campaign in Cuba is 1,997, including a general, twenty-six superior officers and 190 officers of lower rank.

POPE LEO has issued a decree prohibiting Catholics from participating in religious congresses, which is considered a direct blow to the policy of Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Ireland, whose liberality in this particular had won thousands of friends among American Protestants for the Catholic church.

In Washington it is understood that the report of the engineer commission which visited Nicaragua last summer will favor the construction of an inter-oceanic canal, but that it will not recommend the entire route already surveyed, and upon which it is claimed several millions of dollars has been performed.

IMPROVED in appearance and evidently in excellent health, President Cleveland returned to Washington, on the 15th, from his summer vacation at Gray Gables. He made the trip on the steam yacht Onondaga, encountering some rough weather; while Mrs. Cleveland and the children returned by special train, arriving some hours after the president.

THE duke of Marlborough, the fiancé of Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt, was arrested in Central park, New York city, on the 16th, on the charge of violating a park ordinance in riding rapidly down a hill on his bicycle with his feet on the handles. At the police station he expressed regret and pleaded ignorance of the ordinance (said was discharged).

## NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

A new coalition ministry has been formed in Norway, which is composed of Dr. Hagerup, rightist, president; Messrs. Gran, Olsen and Nielsen, rightists, members of the last ministry; Messrs. Engelhart, Kildal, Smedal and Stanglund, leftists, and Messrs. Sverdrup and Haugland, moderates.

MAJ.-GEN. C. B. KNOWLES was, on the 15th, gazetted commander of the British troops in Egypt.

The foundation stone of the new Desdieu palace, to be erected to take the place of Mar lodge, Braemar, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, the highland residence of the duke of Fife, which was burned last June, was laid by the queen on the 15th. The site is a few miles from Balmoral.

HACKER LEAHY, 16 years of age, while playing about a plaining mill near Lilly, Pa., on the 15th, fell against a large circular saw, and was cut diagonally from the left shoulder to the right leg. Death was instantaneous.

Thursdays of pardons has refused to take action in the case of Dodonast, the New Orleans councilman convicted of receiving a bribe, and he must go to the penitentiary to serve his sentence, as this was his last hope.

A BOILER of a steamer lying in the harbor of Spezia, exploded, on the 15th, killing four stokers and badly injuring one of the engineers.

AMBASSADOR RUTON received at Berlin, on the 16th, from President Cleveland a valuable silver cup to be presented to Capt. Arthur Krich, commander of the Hamburg-American liner steamer Suevia, in recognition of Capt. Krich's act in saving the crew of eight men of the American schooner Mary E. Amsden on February 26 last.

ADVISED from Constantinople, on the 16th, stated that most serious consequences were feared from the general situation growing out of the renewed Armenian agitation and the resumption of rioting. The intervention of the powers to restore order and enforce reform was imminent.

PADEREWSKI, the pianist, sailed from Liverpool for New York, on the 16th, on board the steamer Teutonic.

MAURICE PERKINS, a well-known newspaper man, formerly connected with the New York Sun, while delirious, on the 16th, leaped from a third-story window of the city hospital in Indianapolis, Ind., and was fatally hurt by the fall.

The directors of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad have again failed to declare a dividend on the common stock of the company.

The celebrated Hezekiah B. Smith will case, which involves an estate of \$25,000, and which has been in the different courts during the past eight years, was concluded in the court of chancery at Trenton, N. J., on the 16th, when the will was declared invalid and the disinherited widow, Verona, and the two sons of the dead Congressman were restored to their rights.

N. A. CARLTON, of the government department of agriculture, has been sent to central Kansas to make experiments on prairie wheat-growing. He will plant 1,000 varieties of wheat, 100 of oats and many of the barley and corn, with a purpose of testing their resistance to rust. Also he will attempt to secure, by crossing, a variety of wheat that will withstand the prairie winds and the long droughts.

EX-CONGRESSMAN R. W. DUNHAM was, on the 16th, awarded \$15,000 damages by a Chicago jury for the injury to his health by the late Maj. Allyn for alienation of his wife's affections. Dunham had asked \$50,000, but as two of the jurors were in favor of a verdict for Allyn on the first ballot \$15,000 was agreed upon as a compromise.

A long conference with J. R. Coleman, the defaulting cashier of the state bank of Fort Scott, Kas., on the 16th, Vice-President J. J. Stewart made the startling announcement that the amount of his defalcation would probably exceed \$60,000.

JAMES DIXON, one of the prisoners locked up in jail at Buffalo, N. Y., on account of the tragedy at Tonawanda, in which Capt. Phillips and his son were murdered, hanged himself in his cell on the 17th.

On the 16th an explosion occurred on a steamship near King-Chow-Foo. The steamer was loaded with Chinese troops, and it is reported that 600 of them were killed.

A BUENOS AYRES dispatch of the 16th said it was reported that Brazil had recognized the Cuban insurgents as belligerents.

The new steamer St. Paul arrived at Southampton at 5 p. m. on the 17th. She experienced bad weather most of the way. The machinery worked smoothly. Daily runs: 394, 393, 402, 412, 430, 324, 390, to the Needles 305.

The North German Lloyd Steamship Co. is said to have ordered the construction of two new steamers at Glasgow, Scotland, which are to be larger than the Lucania and Campania.

MR. J. F. LATCOCK's steam yacht Valhalla, with Lord Dunraven on board, passed Prawle point, on the 17th. She left Newport, R. I., on September 28.

MAYOR SPANANAN of Reading, Pa., has been arrested at the suit of a farmer residing in Lower Alsace township for trespass. Other warrants are out.

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The next annual encampment of the Union Veteran league will be held in Washington city.

It was announced in Madrid, on the 17th, that 12,000 troops would start for Cuba on the 22d.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees of Kansas City university, of which H. J. Heinz, of Pittsburgh, is president, plans for the erection of buildings to cost \$100,000 were decided upon the work upon the main building is to be begun immediately. An offer of the donation of a museum valued at \$80,000 was also considered.

REV. T. DE WITT LAMAR, the famous New Britain battle-field Victorians was launched from the Chatham dock yard on the 16th. It is thought in diplomatic circles that Russia will completely absorb Bulgaria by Christmas.

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VICE-PRESIDENT STEWART of the State bank of Fort Scott, Kas., and T. J. Storde and J. Meade, stockholders in the bank, swore out a complaint on the 17th, against J. R. Coleman, the defaulting cashier, charging him with embezzling \$60,000, the amount of shortage in the reserve fund of the bank, and a warrant was issued, and Coleman was arrested.

JOHN JONES was found dead in the woods near Crawfordsville, Ind., on the 17th, having shot himself while insane from the use of whisky. He thought whitecaps were after him and escaped from home, carrying a revolver, with which he killed himself.

GOV. MCINTYRE of Colorado has issued a proclamation declaring a quarantine against the states of Texas and Wyoming and territories of New Mexico and Arizona. Sheep from these regions are being driven into the state only on being found free from scab and all other contagious diseases after a thorough inspection.

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BISHOP ATTICUS G. HAYGOOD, of the Southern Methodist church, is critically ill at his home in Oxford, Ga. He is threatened with paralysis and serious results are feared.

MRS. CHARLES McRELL, of St. Louis, who was visiting her sister, Mrs. Gregory, at Wier City, Kas., was fatally burned, on the 17th, while attempting to check a prairie fire which was approaching her sister's house, where the latter was lying dangerously ill.

A DETECTIVE from Cleveland went to Toledo, O., on the 17th, and took away Joseph Wilder on the charge of bigamy. Wilder has one wife at Cincinnati, one at Cleveland and another in Toledo. He married his Toledo wife at Sandusky only a few weeks ago.

AMERICAN, on the 17th, a swarm of grasshoppers, passed over the city of Winfield, Kas., in a northeasterly direction. Very few were under 500 yards high. Now and then a few descended to the ground. They were found to be the Colorado variety, being red-legged, they were the kind that almost swept vegetation from the state in 1874.

REV. W. H. SHERWOOD and J. A. Wilson, a solicitor, both Americans, were arraigned in the police court at Blackburn, Lancashire, England, on the 16th, on charges of conspiracy. The defendant was a laborer named McFadden in a street quarrel. The prisoners were remanded.

The condition of ex-Gov. Bullock, lay deputy from Georgia to the Episcopal convention in Minneapolis, Minn., on the 16th, was reported as critical, since the assembling of the convention, was so far improved, on the 18th, that he was permitted to leave his room.

COUNTY JUDGE RICHIE issued warrants, on the 16th, for the arrest of 113 of the 523 officers of election in the city of Louisville, who either failed entirely to serve or became intoxicated and incapacitated while on duty.

On the 19th the Moon road put on a fast train between Chicago and Atlanta, making the run in twenty-five hours.

C. G. JAMES, of Cincinnati, was, on the 18th, elected national commander of the United Veteran Legion.

The mining town of Creede, Col., was almost destroyed by fire on the night of the 17th.

A MONUMENT was dedicated at Worcester, on the 18th, to the memory of the late Emperor Frederick III. of Germany.

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BETWEEN 500 and 600 delegates from thirty-three states and territories, representing nearly 300,000 members of the Woman's National Temperance union, congregated in Baltimore, Md., on the 18th, to attend the twenty-second annual convention of that society.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

In the town of Algiers, across the river from New Orleans, two hundred and forty houses were destroyed by fire on the morning of the 20th, entailing a loss of \$400,000, upon which there was but very little insurance.

The fire is supposed to have been started by the keeper of a fruit and confectionery store, who would probably have been lynched if caught.

PRINCE HENRY of Prussia, brother of Emperor William, and Prince Christian Victor, recently competed in a 30-mile bicycle race for a prize given by the queen. The contest was between Bal-moral and Braemar castle. Prince Christian won by half an hour.

The president will soon issue a proclamation opening for settlement 546,000 acres of land in the Nez Perce reservation in Idaho, at \$5.75 per acre for agriculture and \$8.25 per acre for stock raising.

The archbishop of Canterbury announces that a pan-Anglican conference will be convened in Lambeth palace, the archiepiscopal residence, in 1897. It is thirty years since the last conference of the kind was held.

The officials of the British foreign office practically confirm the statement made by the St. James Gazette that Lord Salisbury has forwarded an ultimatum to the president of the Venezuelan republic.

MAYOR PINCKNEY was unanimously reelected for a fourth term by the republican city convention of Detroit, Mich., on the 19th, and the remainder of the ticket was filled by "Pingree" nominees.

GREAT BRITAIN has again increased her eastern Mediterranean fleet, and Russia has then her fleet which usually winters at Sebastopol down the Bosphorus to watch England and Turkey.

DEVELOPMENTS in the shortage of A. K. Ward, of Memphis, Tenn., show that his forgeries will amount to about \$300,000.

The Richardson piano factory at Leominster, Mass., was burned on the 19th. Loss, \$50,000; insurance, \$30,000. On the 19th the banks of New York city held \$15,360,175 in excess of the requirements of the 25-percent rule.

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## MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

New Woman in Court.

The divorce suit of Dr. Nannie Stevens against Ralph Stevens was on trial in Kansas city the other day. On the witness stand Dr. Stevens said her husband called her a "she doctor" in a tone of voice that implied contempt. As an instance of his rough conduct toward her she related that once she was consulting with another doctor downstairs, when the baby, which was in bed with its father upstairs, began to cry. She went up and said to him: "Why didn't you put that baby to sleep?" and he told her he was not going to "feed her if she did not attend to her household duties." At another time she had been up all night with a typhoid fever patient, and in the morning telephoned to her husband to send the carriage for her. She had to walk home, and when she reproached him for it, he replied: "A little walk will do you good." Dr. Stevens said that when she got home that morning he didn't even have breakfast ready.

Grand Lodge Missouri Masons.

The Masonic grand lodge of Missouri met at Jefferson city a few days ago. There were about 350 delegates in attendance. In his address Grand Master J. B. Thomas said that the year has been a prosperous one for the order in Missouri. Six new lodges have been organized. The report of Grand Secretary J. B. Thomas showed the financial condition of the grand lodge to be excellent. There is a balance of \$83,319.16 in the treasury.

Officers for the ending year were elected as follows: A. M. Hough, Jefferson city, grand master; Dorsey A. Jamison, St. Louis, deputy grand master; E. Tygert, Butler, senior grand warden; E. F. Allen, Kansas city, junior grand warden; S. M. Kennard, St. Louis, grand treasurer; Dr. John D. Vineil, St. Louis, grand secretary.

Prof. Howard Beers Gibson, of the University of Missouri, Columbia, died the other morning. He had been ill with typhoid fever for three weeks, and several days before his death had been hourly expected. Since September 19, 1894, Prof. Gibson had been professor of chemistry in the university, and was one of the most popular members of the faculty. He was born at Washington, Conn., thirty-one years ago, and graduated from Harvard as an early age. The remains were taken to Connecticut. In speaking of his death, President Jesse said: "He was an able scientist and an admirable man from every standpoint. His death is a great loss to the university."

Dr. Fraker Indicted.

Four indictments against Dr. George W. Fraker were returned by the Ray county grand jury. One indictment was for attempting to defraud representations to cheat and defraud, and three indictments for obtaining money under false pretenses. The state was not ready for trial, and the defense made application for bail. Judge Bromberg fixed the amount at \$1,500 on each indictment. The attorneys said they would be able to get their client out before court adjourned for the term.

Result of Using Coal Oil.

Edna Van Winkle, daughter of ex-Police Sgt. Van Winkle, of Kansas City, poured coal oil on a fire to facilitate its burning. There was an explosion, and she was badly burned. She died. The house was destroyed, and two other children were saved by the heroism of the mother, who was badly burned.

Cupid Plays Franks in Jail.

J. M. Brown, night watchman at the jail in Carrollton, and Mrs. Emma Voyles, held for the grand jury for driving a team to Hickory county without the consent of the owner, were married in the jail parlors the other night.

Increased Post Office Receipts.

The receipts of the St. Louis post office for the three months ended October 1 were \$401,571, an increase of \$45,172 over the corresponding period of 1894. At Kansas city the receipts were \$128,636, an increase of \$13,604.

Killed by a Boiler Explosion.

The boiler at the saw mill of Julius Peter, county, exploded the other day, killing young Peter, the son of the proprietor, and severely injuring his father and another man.

Damages for False Imprisonment.

Pink Nolen, who was arrested in the Indian territory and returned to Vernon county, on a charge of theft, has filed suit in the circuit court for \$5,000 damages against Arthur Kaufman, who caused his arrest.

Jumped From a Window.

The wife of Dudley Rhodes, the proprietor of the Dudley Hotel, Kansas City, jumped from the second-story window, while insane, and was badly injured, it was believed, not fatally.

Colored Girl Shot in Church.

Minerva Yeager, colored, daughter of Chris Yeager, was shot in church at Bowling Green and died. Medley Smith, whom she refused to marry, was arrested.

Col. William Hendrickson.

Col. William Hendrickson, aged 76, died at Sedalia. He was shot through the lungs at Vicksburg, and retired at the close of the war with the rank of colonel.

Swallowed Morphine.

Daniel Hodge, aged 23, committed suicide at Carrollton by the use of morphine. A note left said that no one would know why he did it.

A Sudden Summons.

Mrs. George L. Osborne, wife of the president of the faculty of the state normal at Warrensburg, died the other night quite suddenly.

Sedalia to Sell Funding Bonds.

Sedalia will sell \$200,000 4-percent bonds and fund debts that are drawn 7, 8 and 10 percent. A local bank wanted the entire issue.

Mrs. C. Roach.

Mrs. C. Roach, wife of the secretary of the state senate, died at Carthage recently of quick consumption. Interment at Jerseyville, Ill.

Appointed by the Governor.

Gov. Stone has appointed John Hill, of Livingston county, a member of the state board of agriculture, vice H. C. Ireland, resigned.

A Well-Known Conductor.

Frank Alcorn, one of the best-known conductors in the central part of the state, died of consumption in Sedalia recently.

## CORDAGE WORKS BURNED.

Destruction of the Empire Cordage Co.'s Factory at Champlain, Ill.—One Life Lost—Two Hundred and Fifty Employees Thrown Out of Work.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Oct. 19.—The Empire Cordage Co.'s works here were burned to the ground Thursday evening. The estimated loss on buildings and machinery is \$100,000, and there is \$60,000 insurance on them. The company manufactures commercial twines of all varieties, and in the last three years has worked up a large trade both in the east and west. It had in its employ 250 men, women and children, who are all thrown out of work by the fire. The plant had been running night and day for several weeks to catch up with the sales.

When the alarm bells throughout the building were turned on the employees made a frantic rush for the stairways, and many of the boys and girls were trampled under the feet of the men, but none of them were seriously injured. With the exception of Henry Bradford, it is supposed they all got out. He was the only person at work on the third floor. He has not been seen since the fire. Foreman Freeman thinks that Bradford was burned alive.

The water pressure was exceedingly high and President Gratz lays the loss to this failure. After hard work the firemen saved the brick warehouse, 200 feet square, located within 100 feet of the main building. There is stored in it upward of \$70,000 of raw and finished goods.

A DRAMATIC INCIDENT.

In the Trial of Maud Lewis, at St. Louis, for Killing Peter Morrissey.

St. Louis, Oct. 19.—In the case of Maud Lewis, on trial for the murder of State Senator Peter Morrissey, the state placed Wm. Smith, a reporter, on the stand to prove that the Lewis woman said she killed Morrissey. It developed, however, that the reporter Smith had asked her to make a statement that Morrissey had uttered a word or two after he was shot, tending to show that he was sensible at the time of his death. Morrissey was a Catholic, and St. Louis priests had refused to officiate at the funeral, on the ground that Morrissey had died in his sins. Reporter Smith wanted to secure an admission from the woman that Morrissey had cried out: "O! My God," and then he would tell the priest, who would then officiate at the funeral. She agreed to do so, provided the family of Morrissey and the police would not use the statement against her at the trial. The Lewis woman was then placed on the stand and said that Smith and others endeavored to induce her to make affidavit that Morrissey had called out "God," and she said she was willing to do so if they would not use the affidavit against her. This scheme, however, fell through.

"Then you were willing to swear to a lie?" one of the attorneys for the state asked.

"Yes," she cried dramatically, rising to her feet, "I was willing to swear to a lie, to give Peter Morrissey a Christian burial, and I am willing now to do anything to accommodate his family."

She was allowed to step down. The attorneys for the state looked surprised, for the incident caused considerable of a sensation—so much so that she was willing to do so if they would not use the affidavit against her. This scheme, however, fell through.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

Its Assertion in Secretary Olney's Note to the British Foreign Office.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—It is ascertained on high authority that the memorandum in relation to Venezuelan affairs presented by Ambassador Bayard to the British foreign office in August last, embodied the first rough diplomatic correspondence a definition of the so-called Monroe doctrine by an assertion that the United States regarded the acquisition of territory by European powers on the American continent as a menace to republican institutions which would not be encouraged by the American people. It is reported that to this communication no reply beyond a formal acknowledgment has yet been given, but that a more detailed reply has been promised at an early date.

FIFTY PERSONS DROWNED.

By the Capsizing of a Ferryboat at Cairo, Egypt.

CAIRO, Oct. 19.—Heavy loss of life was caused near here yesterday by a collision between a ferryboat and a steamer. The ferryboat, which had on board sixty persons, mostly workmen, ran into the steamer and capsized. Fifty of those on the boat were drowned before assistance could reach them.

RIOTS IN CHANG-PU.

On the Island of Amoy—The English Missions Destroyed.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—A dispatch from Shanghai to a newspaper agency says that the Amoy mission has been broken up in Chang-Pu, in the southeast part of the island of Amoy, and the English missions there have been destroyed. The missionaries appealed to the mandarins for protection but those officials refused to interfere.

OUT OF COURT.

Order of Consent and Discontinuance Granted.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—An order of consent and discontinuance was entered in the supreme court yesterday in the suit of the Soldiers' Orphans' home against the estate of George J. Gould individually, and the executors of the estate of Jay Gould and the Union Pacific railroad.

The action was brought to recover certain stocks and bonds, amounting to over \$10,000,000, which, it is alleged, the defendants wrongfully diverted.

THREE MEN KILLED.

By the Wreck of a Pay Car on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad.

DECATUR, Ind., Oct. 18.—Word has just reached here from Cayton, seventeen miles south of here, that the pay car on the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad was wrecked and three men killed and several badly injured.

A gang of bridge-workers had pushed their car on a switch to let the pay car pass, but neglected to close the switch, and the train, running fifty miles per hour, dashed into them. Pay car and engine were wrecked.

## REPORT OF CAPT. HOOPER.

On the Operations of the Behring Sea Fleet for the Season Just Closed, and, Incidentally, the Yukon Mission, Which, It Says, Are Showing Up Well, Resulting in a Large Number of Men.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Capt. Hooper of the United States service, in command of the Behring sea fleet during the past season, has made an elaborate report of the operations of the fleet to the treasury department.

Among the points touched upon are the mines of the Yukon, which, he says, are showing up well, a large number of men being profitably employed, and considerable coal being taken out.

He discusses, as all other officials have done, the reckless slaughter of the female seals in the open sea, and urges that stringent regulations be made. He says:

"The sealing season in Behring sea lasts but six weeks. The sealing fleet consists of fifty or sixty vessels, which are spread over a large area, and much of the time concealed by fog. To find and board them all, and compel an observance of the regulations, furnishes ample work for a considerable fleet. The past season has been a successful one, by extraordinary effort, have patrolled the sea in a satisfactory manner. Had any of these given out, and been compelled to remain in port for a time, we should have been unable to keep as close watch upon the sealers as is necessary to enforce the regulations."

JAPAN AND COREA.

Self-Protection May Compel Japan to Interfere to Preserve Peace in Corea.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—State department advice indicates that the Japanese government will use all honorable means consistent with neutrality to maintain a stable government in Corea. If it be true, as has been reported, that Tai-Won-Kun has usurped the functions of the king and made himself a practical dictator, the result can but be injurious, it is said, to Korean prosperity. Tai-Won-Kun represents a reactionary view of the hermit kingdom, and his rule as dictator would be strongly in opposition to the progressive element.

It is said that Japan would hesitate to interfere forcibly in the internal affairs of the country, but that she may be driven to this course as a matter of self-protection. The foreign trade of Corea is so largely in Japanese hands as to give the latter a practical monopoly. To protect these